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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

& Petition To Extend - TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

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This is a **Request for Continued Examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 09/720,761 filed on March 26, 2001, entitled **METHOD OF PLASMA ETCHING OF SILICON**.

The following constitute(s) the submission required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is (are) attached:

Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 7, 2004 (attached).
 Other Submission:

1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	MINUS	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA*	RATE (\$) PER CLAIM	FEE (\$)
BASIC FEE						790.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	0	20	0	18.00	0.00
INDEPENDEN T CLAIMS	6	0	6	0	88.00	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM	0	0	0	0	300.00	0.00
				*Number extra must be zero or larger	TOTAL	790.00
	If Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here.				SMALL ENTITY TOTAL	790.00

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2. Please charge the required RCE and Submission filing fee of **\$790.00** to the deposit account number **11-0600** of **Kenyon & Kenyon**.
3. This is also a Petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) by which Applicant(s) respectfully request(s) a third-month extension of time to extend the response to the Final Office Action dated June 7, 2004 from the five-month date of November 7, 2004 (which was extended by the Amendment filed on October 14, 2004) to December 7, 2004. *The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fees, which are believed to be \$550.00 (since \$430.00 was previously paid for in the Amendment After A final Office Action mailed on October 14, 2004) to the deposit account number 11-0600 of Kenyon & Kenyon.*
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized, as necessary and/or appropriate, to charge payment of any other fees (including any additional claim fees and/or extension fees) as required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account number **11-0600** of **Kenyon & Kenyon**.
5. **Two duplicate copies** of this Transmittal Form and Petition are enclosed for the above purposes.

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